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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission Room TW-A325 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 01-338, WC Docket No. 04-313

Dear Ms. Dortch

On November 18, 2004, Carl Grivner, Heather Gold and Chris McKee of XO Communications ("XO"), and I met with Commissioner Kevin Martin and his legal assistant Dan Gonzalez. During the discussion, we made the same points as are set forth in the Loop and Transport CLEC Coalition comments and reply comments in the above-referenced proceedings. We emphasized in particular that there is ample evidence in the record to justify the adoption of a national finding of impairment for DS1 loops, or at the very least a test that requires the presence of two competitive wholesale providers of DS1 loops. We explained that the simple fact that CLECs self supply fiber to a building, is inadequate to prove a lack of impairment for carriers seeking to provide DS1 level services. Such retail fiber deployment is not evidence of the existence of wholesale options; moreover, fiber deployment to one customer in a building is not evidence that all customers in the building can be serviced by competitive. We also explained why the mass market for broadband services is limited to residential and home office costumers.

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The attached presentation was distributed at the meeting. Pursuant to the Commission's rules, please include a copy of this letter and presentation in the record of the docket mentioned above.

Sincerely,

Brad E. Mutschelknaus

cc: Dan Gonzalez



# Competitive Options for Small Businesses **Need to Continue to Promote Telecom Policies**

# **Small Businesses Must Continue to Have Access to Competitive Options**



• Small businesses spending less than \$500 on telecom purchase 4 business lines, slightly larger firms only 7 lines.

## SBA/Telenomic Research - Survey Spending

0-4 Employees									
Quantity/Lines Monthly Spending									
Local	1.9	\$102.71							
LD	1.9	\$53.70							
Local + LD	1.9	\$153.20							
Wireless	1.2	\$72.70							
DSL	0.19	\$7.27							
Cable Modem	0.26	\$9.07							
Dial-Up	0.44	\$10.20							

5-9 Employees							
Quantity/Lines Monthly Spending							
Local	3.95	\$208.65					
LD	3.95	\$125.15					
Local + LD	3.95	\$344.96					
Wireless	2.32	\$180.61					
DSL	0.14	\$8.48					
Cable Modem	0.56	<b>★</b> \$18.53					
Dial-Up	0.49	\$10.04					

10-499 Employees								
Quantity/Lines Monthly Spending								
Local	6.76	\$396.82						
LD	6.76	\$476.24						
Local + LD	6.76	\$694.20						
Wireless	5.31	\$448.21						
DSL	0.47	\$27.87						
Cable Modem	0.47	\$12.30						
Dial-Up	4.91	\$16.12						

Voice comprises the majority of the communications spending

Video a non-factor

# **U.S. Business Telecom Spending**



• These small firms, spending less than \$500 per month on telecom, constitute 80% of businesses.

	Total U.S. by Estimated Monthly Telecom Spend Group							
	Burling	Total Est Mthly	Patting.	Est Monthly	Est Monthly LD	Est Monthly		
	Businesses	Telecom Spend	Est Lines	Local Spend	Spend	Data Spend		
\$0 - \$500	8,623,626	\$1,685,132,532	12,643,030	\$ 543,200,319	<b>\$</b> 716,938,876	\$ 424,989,219		
\$500 - \$1,500	1,288,337	\$1,120,974,338	8,468,881	\$ 332,414,583	\$ 497,315,600	\$ 291,243,296		
\$1,500 - \$3,000	338,591	\$ 692,192,553	5,278,025	\$ 215,668,427	\$ 319,732,806	\$ 156,791,102		
> \$3,000	373,405	\$3,797,005,752	35,054,495	\$1,232,353,566	\$1,987,326,256	\$ 577,325,685		
Total	10,621,959	\$7,295,305,175	61,444,431	\$2,323,636,895	\$3,521,313,538	\$1,450,349,302		

These businesses comprise 23% of all telecom spending

	Average per Business - Total U.S.							
	Est Monthly		Est Monthly LD		Est Monthly		Total Est Mnthly	
	Local Spend		Spend		Data Spend		Telecom Spend	
<b>\$0 - \$500</b>		62.99	\$	83.14	3	49.28	\$	195.41
\$500 - \$1,500	J	258.02	\$	386.01	8	226.06	\$	870.09
\$1,500 - \$3,000	\$	640.74	+	949.91	\$	465.82	\$	2,056.48
> \$3,000	\$	3,300.31	\$	5,322.17	\$	1,546.11	\$	10,168.60
Total	\$	4,262.06	\$	6,741.24	\$	2,287.28	\$	13,290.58

Voice is 75% of spend

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# Mass Market Definition Must Not Preclude Competition for Small Businesses



- FCC Broadband Rules designed to promote deployment of facilities to <u>residential</u> consumers.
- Small businesses are not looking for ultra-high bandwidth streaming video products, simply want competitive options for voice and data.
- XO and other competitors find it economic in many markets to serve small businesses with as few as 4 to 5 lines.
- FCC's mass market definition should either confine mass market to residential only or to residential and business single line customers.